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**Doctor Ordered to Stand Trial
for Illegally Prescribing Narcotics**

A Los Angeles judge today ordered a Walnut physician to stand trial on charges he prescribed potent narcotics without conducting a proper examination and without a legitimate medical need, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Dr. John Dimowo (dob 6/24/58) is due back in court on April 16 for his arraignment in Department 125 on eight felony counts of unlawful prescription of a controlled substance, said Deputy District Attorney Ryan Dibble with the Major Narcotics Division. He is prosecuting the case along with Deputy District Attorney John Niedermann.

Undercover agents with the Medical Board of California went to Dimowo's pain management clinic in Wilmington between March 2012 and March 2013 and allegedly received prescriptions for Adderall, hydrocodone and alprazolam without receiving any appropriate exams.

Dimowo was ordered to stand trial by Los Angeles Superior Court Judge M.L. Villar de Longoria following a two-day preliminary hearing.

If convicted, Dimowo faces up to seven years, eight months in custody.

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